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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICEREQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL FORM (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)DOCKET NO.
10191/1674APPLICATION SERIAL NO.
09/742,980EXAMINER
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8646

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This is a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (RCE) of pending application Serial No. 09/742,980, filed on December 20, 2000, entitled ELECTRICAL CONNECTOR HAVING GUIDE AND CENTERING AID.

The following constitute the submission required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(a) and is attached:

- ☒ Please enter the enclosed Amendment After Final Office Action responsive to 12/18/01 Office Action.
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☐ Drawing Changes
- ☐ Other Submission

1. The filing fee for this RCE and the required amendment/submission is calculated below. The fee below is calculated based on the status of the claims after the entry of the attached amendment/submission. The fee for any new additional claims is included with this RCE, the fee for previously entered additional claims having already been paid.

| | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | MINUS | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT NUMBER EXTRA | RATE (\$) PER CLAIM | FEE (\$) |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| BASIC FEE | | | | | | 740.00 |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 6 | | 20 | 0 | 18.00 | 0.00 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 1 | | 1 | 0 | 84.00 | 0.00 |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | | | | |
| | | | | *Number extra must be zero or larger | TOTAL | 740.00 |
| | If Applicant is a small entity under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27, then divide total fee by 2, and enter amount here. | | | | | SMALL ENTITY TOTAL |

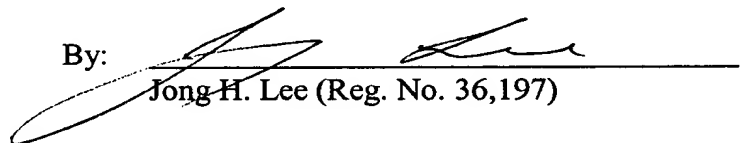
2. Please charge the required RCE and submission filing fee of **\$740.00** to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number **11-0600**.
3. Applicants respectfully request a **two-month extension of time** in which to respond to the Final Office Action dated December 18, 2001, for which a response period expiring on March 18, 2002 was set. The extended period expires on May 18, 2002. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) extension fee of **\$400.00** to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number **11-0600**.
4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fees, including any additional and/or extension fees required, associated with this communication or arising during the pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number **11-0600**.
5. A duplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

KENYON & KENYON

Dated: May 7, 2002

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